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Congressional Recognition of QuakeWrap for its success in improving infrastructure safety worldwide

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Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition and celebration of QuakeWrap, a growing business in Tucson, Arizona that is improving the safety of infrastructure around the globe. On October 1, 2014, they will be honored by the District Export Council of Arizona for their success in exporting.

QuakeWrap is to be recognized and celebrated for its job creation and sales here in the United States and in multiple international markets, including Australia, Indonesia, Mexico, Nigeria and Vietnam, as well as its work with the United Nations. Both private and public sector customers are utilizing its patented carbon fiber technology to repair, modernize and secure vital infrastructure for public safety and commerce, such as bridges, pipelines, buildings and piers. Among their diverse portfolio of projects, they have repaired the tunnel system under the University of Arizona, done retrofit work on Alcatraz Island in the San Francisco Bay, provided seismic retrofit for the VA Medical Center in Albuquerque, provided blast protection for the new UN building in Beirut, Lebanon and begun an extensive infrastructure pile project in Nigeria.

QuakeWrap is an example of a small US business that has grown by being a leader in state-of-the-art technology and by embracing exporting as key to their growth strategy. Even in the face of great economic recession, QuakeWrap increased its revenues and created jobs in our community. QuakeWrap has also made strategic and effective utilization of key export resources at both the federal and state levels, including the US Commercial Service and its Arizona Export Assistance Center in Arizona, the Arizona Commerce Authority, and the US Small Business Administration – demonstrating the impactful collaboration that can indeed exist between the private and public sectors.

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